



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: William Cohn and Thomas P. Mathers

Application No.: 10/647,657 Filed Date: August 25, 2003

Confirmation No.: 2131 Group: 3731 Examiner: Not Assigned

For: Suture System

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Amendment and Fee Transmittal

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Preliminary Amendment for filing in the above-identified application.

- ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a Small Entity Statement previously submitted.
- ☐ A Small Entity Statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

(COL. 1)		(COL. 2)		(COL. 3)	SMALL ENTITY		OR	OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY	
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDIT. FEE		RATE	ADDIT. FEE
TOTAL	14	MINUS	*20	0	X \$9	\$	X	\$18	\$0
INDEP	2	MINUS	**3	0	X \$43	\$	X	\$86	\$0
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM					+ \$145	\$	+	\$290	\$
					TOTAL =	\$ 0	TOTAL =	\$0	

* not fewer than 20
** not fewer than 3

Please charge Deposit Account No. 50-1935 for the following fees:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Petition for []	month Extension of Time	\$	_____
<input type="checkbox"/>	Amendment Fee			\$	_____
<input type="checkbox"/>	Other Fees:			\$	_____
				\$	_____
TOTAL:				\$	<u>0</u>

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<input type="checkbox"/>	Other Fees:			\$	_____
				\$	_____
TOTAL:				\$	<u>0</u>

☒ A general authorization is hereby granted to charge Deposit Account No. 50-1935 for any fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17 in order to maintain pendency of this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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PATENT APPLICATION
Docket No.: 301492.1047-119

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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The listing of claims begins on page 2.
Remarks begin on page 5.
Please amend the application as follows: